

May 14, 1973

SPEAKER: Moved and seconded to advance LB 45. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. It is advanced. Senator Cavanaugh.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: I, well I'll get unanimous--Mr. President, I move unanimous consent to take up LB 550 and LB 149 on select file.

SPEAKER: Any objection? If not so ordered. Senator Cavanaugh.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Mr. President, I move the adoption of the E&R amendments to LB 550.

SPEAKER: Moved and seconded to adopt the E&R amendments. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. They are adopted.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Mr. President, I move LB 550 as amended be advanced to E&R for Engrossing.

SPEAKER: Have a second? Moved and seconded to advance 550. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. It is advanced. Senator Cavanaugh.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Mr. President, I move the adoption of the E&R amendments to 149.

SPEAKER: Moved and seconded to adopt the E&R amendments 149. All favor say aye. Opposed nay. They are adopted.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Mr. President, I move LB 149 as amended be advanced to E&R for Engrossing.

SPEAKER: Moved and seconded to advance 149. All in favor say aye. Opposed say nay. It is advanced.

CLERK: Motion on the desk--

SPEAKER: That motion's on the desk. Clerk will read.

CLERK: Reads motion, to return LB 286 to select file for specific amendment (read) LB 286.

SPEAKER: Senator Proud. Would Senator Carpenter turn off his light, please.

SENATOR PROUD: Well Mr. President and Members of the Legislature. I'll have to explain myself on this and I'll never get the job done, either with the Legislature or with the public but let me put it this way. A young lady in Omaha who has contacted a number of you, by the name of Mary Lyons, asked me to present this proposal to you. Mary Lyons is 15 years old and she has devoted hours and weeks and months to the abortion issue. I will frankly state that I don't know whether or not I agree with Mary Lyons. I will further state that I probably will not vote on this amendment but let me tell you what it does. It states, in essence, that an unborn child is a person from the moment of conception. The motion here is to add this as a section to LB 286. Now if we add it, what is the state of the bill? What is the law? In my judgment if this is added, we will have the following situation: We will have an abortion bill legalizing abortion to a certain extent as LB 286 does. At the same time the amendment, in effect, provides that to kill the fetus is murder, therefore, although under the terms of the bill you can have an abortion as the bill provides, at the same time I presume under the amendment, the person performing

(End of Belt #11)